

# Foggy Bottom News

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## Next Meeting

Foggy Bottom Association  
Monday November 26  
8 P M  
St. Paul's Church  
2430 K Street N.W.

## Metro Speaker Gives Progress Report Nov. 26

### A New Look

The Foggy Bottom News has a new look this month. This new modern format will allow us to bring you more news, more attractively.

The new Foggy Bottom News will feature larger pictures, allowing us to better report Foggy Bottom happenings.

Bolder headlines are another advantage. We will be able to better announce our monthly speakers. Attendance at our meetings will hopefully go up.

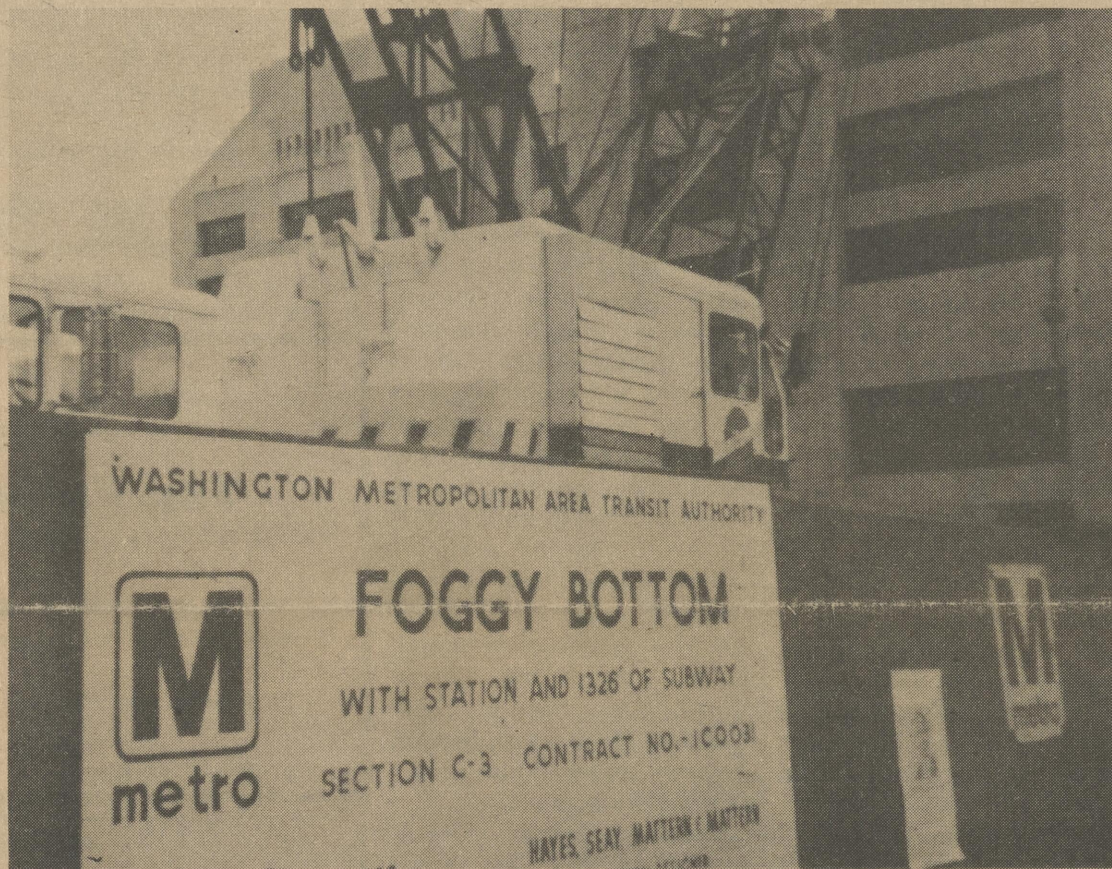
This new format will also allow us to double our size. That's right, twice as much news, twice as many features, and twice as many announcements.

And best of all, we can do all of the above at less cost than previously.

Finally, we think the new Foggy Bottom News will attract more advertisers. Maybe now our newspaper will make some money so we can have more Foggy Bottom happenings than ever before.

## Recycling Center for Newspapers

Newspapers can be brought to a blue metal container with a recycling sticker pasted on it located in a small parking lot adjacent to the Marvin Center ramp (800 21st St., NW) on the George Washington University campus. The newsprint will be recycled by the student ecology group on campus.



The Metro system, with emphasis on the Foggy Bottom Station, will be discussed at the November 26 meeting by Frank Waram, Community Relations Representative for Bechtel Associates. He will be accompanied by a representative from the Metro Community Relations Office to answer questions on the entire system.

Mr. Waram's presentation will include a "progress report" on construction in our neighborhood, and will feature slides on the station under construction at 23rd & Eye Streets (the site of that mammoth hole!). Until recently, Mr. Waram had his office in our neighborhood and is especially familiar with Metro work there. Bechtel Associates is the consulting engineering firm for the Metro construction.



### Thoughts of Thanksgiving

The air takes on a new freshness with the chill that Fall brings. Autumn colors bring to life a rather drab green and brown landscape. We too take on a new image in our winter wardrobe still smelling of moth balls. Invitations are sent to the family for a get-together and feast of turkey, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie. It is a time of planning, preparing and remembrance of the first Thanksgiving. The hospitality shown to the neighboring Indians overcame any language barrier and helped heal feelings of hostility between peoples of entirely different backgrounds. Circumstances today have not changed much in the need for the purpose of Thanksgiving.

Bill Anglin

## International Bazaar and Book Fair



Because there are pupils and teachers from over fifty different countries at the Washington International School, the committee responsible for the International Bazaar and Book Fair to be held on Saturday, December 1st, has been able to assemble an unusual selection of gifts from all over the world.

The event will take place (rain or shine) from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the School's Cleveland Park location, 3100 Macomb Street, N.W., between Connecticut and Wisconsin Avenues. This is the Tregaron estate, home of the late Ambassador Joseph Davies and his former

wife, the late Mrs. Marjorie Merriweather Post.

In addition to the interesting gifts imported from other countries, the bazaar will also feature hand-made holiday decorations, plants, baked goods, handicrafts and art work, including batik created by one of the many parents who are contributing their various talents to the fund-raising Bazaar, the proceeds from which will help support the School's Scholarship Program.

The Book Sale will be of particular interest to members of the international community since there will be an excellent selection of children's books in Spanish

and French, as well as in English. These are new books suitable for holiday gift giving. Records and books for adults will also be included.

If you can't wait to sample the baked goods, there will be a cafe area where you can buy coffee or juice to accompany the tempting baklava or Danish pastry you select.

There is adequate parking space on the estate and there will be a baby-sitting service so that you can browse without worrying about small children.

Mark the date—December 1st—on your calendar. For further information, call the School: 966-8510.



## Letters

## Noise Complaint

Dear Editor:

I do not know if I am on the "wrong side" of the Circle but I would like to become a member of the association whose paper I like very much.

I have a couple of items I have been thinking about since reading your paper.



In addition to the noise which the subway has brought about, there is another dangerous noise pollution in Washington, namely the ambulances. It is more peaceful staying at a hotel in mid-town Manhattan; it should NOT be necessary to make such a hellish noise and my suspicion is that the drivers enjoy it since I have seen the ambulances driving empty into the hospital. I wonder if Washington inhabitants have other kinds of hearing organs than do

citizens in other cities. I have been through so many cities in the U.S. but nowhere has there been such a torture. Can a citizens' association do anything like saving our sanity?

Another matter are the houses near Washington Circle 1 which are about falling apart. The tragic view of the poor houses is one thing, and the trash which is allowed to remain in the gardens outside is an eyesore. Is anyone responsible for the looks of Washington?

Otherwise, I think we live in a very nice part of the city—and I am sure there are fascinating people in our neighborhood.

Hoping that I am not too peripheral to belong!

Inger Hvoslef

**Editor's Note:** In partial defense of ambulances around Washington Circle, we are advised that the siren is necessary to alert the hospital to prepare for a patient. Two questions remain: how much siren is needed to alert the hospital; and are sirens used excessively by the drivers as a general rule? One of many possible excuses might be the constant disregard by motorists of the right-of-way of an emergency vehicle. It would be an interesting subject to delve into, report on and take on as a project. Anyone game?

The FBA and the interested letter writer would welcome answers from interested parties on the other questions raised in the letter.

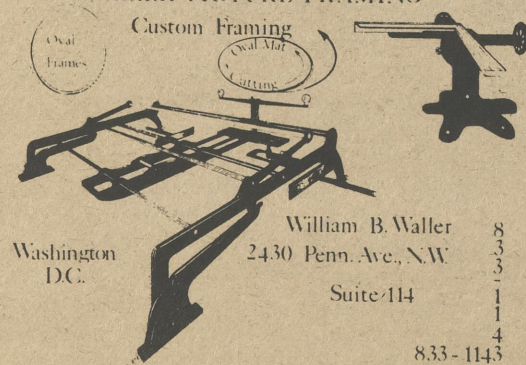
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## Tax Reform

Dear Individual Taxpayer:

Over 30 million bachelors, single women, widows, widowers, the divorced, and the marrieds who file singly **ONCE AGAIN WERE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST WHEN THEY FILED THEIR 1972 TAX RETURN.** Once again they were forced to pay up to **20% more income tax** than their married counterparts filing joint returns!

Chairman Wilbur Mills of the Ways and Means Committee has promised to include equity for the single taxpayer in the Committee's upcoming Omnibus Tax Bill. The Chairman insists this bill will not be compromise legislation, but "hardhitting and as broad as the 1969 Tax Reform measure."

Chairman Mills told CO\$T's founder, Robert Keith Gray, Oregon's Senator Bob Packwood, his assistant Ed Kemp, our ally Vivien Kellem, Congressman Koch's assistant Sue Silverman, and me, at a private January meeting in his office that he would hold tax hearings in February. He wanted CO\$T to testify. He also acknowledged that we had enlisted majority support in both House and Senate. He hoped to get the tax bill out of Committee, through the House and into the Senate before Congressional summer vacation in August.

We were warned at that time that promised tariff hearings could take precedence if and when the President's trade message came from the White House. The Chairman's message was cogent as the Trade message came in March, and the current tariff hearings began in April, but not before the Ways and Means Committee had concluded two months of open hearings on the proposed Omnibus Tax Bill. CO\$T got your message across in March!

CO\$T told the Ways and Means Committee when we testified on your behalf March 23rd that the **DOUBLE STANDARD SINGLE TAX PENALTY** currently in effect can amount to thousands of after-tax dollars in a lifetime of earnings... is a result of a bad national habit... is the **MOST SERIOUS, BLATANT, UNJUSTIFIABLE AND MOST UNCONSTITUTIONAL OF ALL DISCRIMINATIONS!** In our testimony CO\$T endorsed Congressman Edward I. Koch's Bill H.R. 2701 which has 163 co-sponsors to date; and Senator Bob Packwood's

Bill S. 650 which has 32 co-sponsors to date.

This week Chairman Mills **AGAIN REAFFIRMED HIS PROMISE TO INCLUDE THE SINGLE TAXPAYER** in the upcoming Omnibus Tax Bill. When Vivien Kellem and I met with him June 12th in his Capital Hill office, he acknowledged we now had support **WITHIN** his Committee also. The timetable, however, has changed from July to early September. The Committee will turn out the tariff bill in July, and now plans to start drafting the Omnibus Tax Bill when they return from their August vacation. This is **not** a setback for the single taxpayer, according to the Chairman, who maintains that Committee staff work on this tax bill **has continued** throughout the tariff hearings.

Meanwhile, on the Senate side, we continue to work closely with Oregon's Bob Packwood. If action from the House is not imminent, there is a possibility of ano-

ther **SINGLE TAXPAYER AMENDMENT** which could be introduced on short notice, and tacked onto another major bill before Congress adjourns at the end of the year. Throughout the summer we will continue to enlist additional co-sponsors for **SINGLE TAX EQUITY** in both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Sincerely

Patty Cavin  
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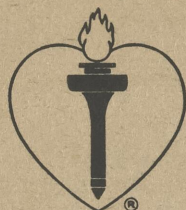
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## Station Beautification?

Mr. Farbough, President  
Sun Oil Company  
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Dear Mr. Farbough:

Reference is made to the attached letter of June 7, 1973 to you from the President of the Foggy Bottom Association. As indicated, this letter called the attention of your company to the outmoded and poor condition of the Watergate Sunoco Service Station at 27th and Virginia Ave., N.W. in the Nation's Capital. Your response indicated that we would be contacted by your attorney in this area or some other responsible official. This has not come about.

The residents in this area are very distressed at Sunoco's apparent lack of interest in this station and the effect it has on our community. This is a well managed, very efficiently operated station; it's only problem is that it is an eyesore and a great discredit to one of the most prestigious neighborhoods in Washington.

It is hard for us to understand the apparent lack of interest in this matter on the part of Sunoco, particularly in light of your massive public relations program which is going on right now. A public relations drive is a form of advertisement; this Watergate Station is certainly a poor advertisement for Sunoco. The station is at the entrance to the city from the West, is in one of the highest land value areas of the city, is passed and used by thousands of government and public employees entering and leaving the city, and is in the midst of very high tourist activities. Practically all structures in the area are either new or remodeled. The old fashioned and run-down Sunoco station sits between the multi-million dollar Watergate complex and a new apartment development where the minimum price apartment per unit is \$113,000 with a range up to \$225,000 per unit. I have taken the liberty of having photographs made of this area to permit you to see the surroundings of your station. I trust that this will convince you that Sunoco should do something to upgrade the physical aspects of this station. Incidentally, a local architect advises that there should not be any zoning problems with rebuilding or remodeling this station and



that height would not be a problem.

I do hope that you or your special representative can give this matter personal attention. We respect this station, want it in our community, and more of us would patronize it if we could get into it all the time—as would many other drivers going through our neighborhood.

I will be personally available to conduct you on a

tour of this area to indicate to you the kinds of physical problems we have with your station. Please contact me if you think this is necessary. In the meantime, I do hope that some action will be taken in this matter soon. Please return the photographs to me when they have served their purpose.

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Volunteers who work in

the daytime are asked to give a minimum of four hours, one day a week; in the evening, two hours, one evening a week. On Saturdays and Sundays our need is particularly acute.

Previous "hospital" experience is not essential. The only qualification is a desire to be helpful. You may call the Volunteer Services Office, 293-6596, between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to arrange an appointment with Mrs. DeMelman or Mrs. Bawden to talk about what you might like to do to help a "troubled" neighbor.

## Geo. Wash. Drug Abuse Program

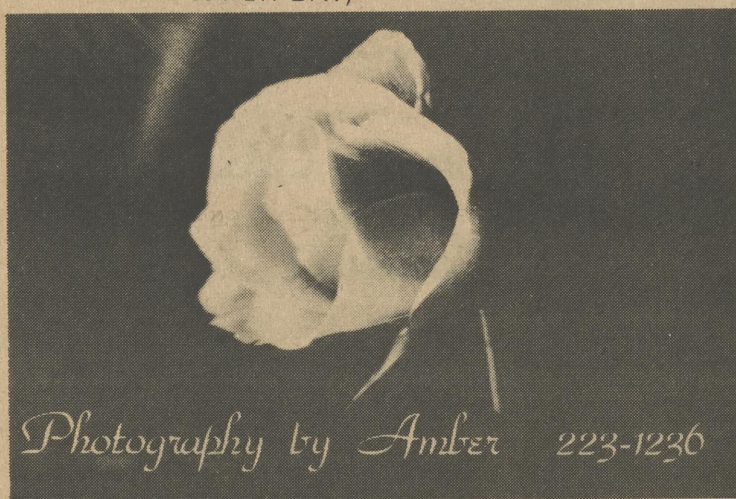
The George Washington University Medical Center will open a Polydrug Abuse Treatment Center aimed at reducing the growing problem of non-narcotic drug abuse.

The program will operate under the direction of the Division of General Medicine with funding from NIMH's Special Action Office for Drug Abuse Prevention. Admission to the program will be directed toward individuals abusing barbituates, amphetamines, and the more recently popularized Methqualone. Clients experiencing a pleasant but unwarranted therapeutic effect from Valium and Librium-type agents will also be accepted.

To be known as NEW DAY,

the program will consist of two major facilities: the in-patient de-toxification service and the out-patient center. The first will be located in the University Hospital, and the latter in newly renovated quarters at 2025 Eye Street. The out-patient center will provide a wide spectrum of services keyed to the treatment, rehabilitation and readjustment of multiple drug abusers.

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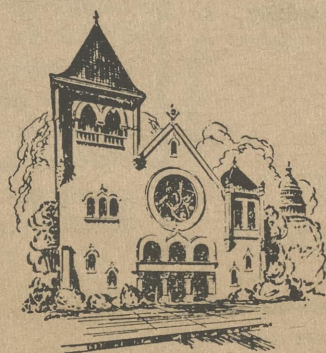
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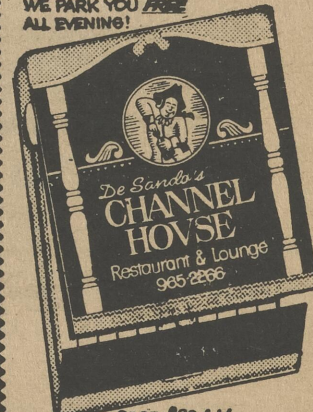
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